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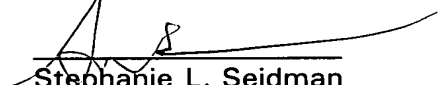
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In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all references known by Applicant or Applicant's representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicant's representative hereby provides this Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98. With the exception of items AH, DP, EW, KK, KQ, KS, KX, MA, MH, MP, MQ, NB, ND, NE, NR, NT, NX, OU, OZ, PA, QS, SG, SH, SI, SJ, SK, SR, TO, TP, TQ, and VF, copies of the references listed on the Forms PTO-1449 (29 pages) are not provided herewith as they have been previously provided in connection with U.S. Serial Nos. 08/597,274 and 08/757,046, which are relied upon for an earlier filing date in accordance with

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The documents listed on the Forms PTO-1449 and supplied herewith are in the English language. Those items provided previously in connection with U.S. Serial Nos. 08/597,274 and 08/757,046 that were not in the English language, were accompanied by English language abstracts describing the subject matter. Hence, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, as amended effective March 16, 1992, no further explanation of the listed items are necessary.

Applicant also makes known to the Examiner the following co-pending U.S. and International applications and their status:

<u>U.S.S.N. (Patent No.)</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Status</u>
08/597,274	02/06/96	Pending
08/757,046 (5,876,995)	11/25/96	Issued
08/908,909	08/08/97	Pending
09/135,988	08/17/98	Pending
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PCT/US/01699 (WO 97/29319)	02/03/97	Issued
TW 86101241	02/03/97	Pending
PCT/US97/23089 (WO 98/26277)	12/12/97	Issued
AU 22555/97	08/05/98	Pending
CA 2,245,594	08/05/98	Pending
EP 97905731.2 (EP 879383)	07/28/98	Issued
IL 125458	07/22/98	Pending
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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the foregoing references and make them of record in the file history of the above-captioned application.

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